

**JOINT RULES RESOLUTION - UNITED STATES SENATE VACANCY**

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE****General Description:**

This joint resolution establishes a process for the Legislature to submit nominees to the governor to temporarily fill a vacancy in the office of United States senator.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This resolution:

- ▶ establishes a process for the Legislature to submit nominees to the governor to temporarily fill a vacancy in the office of United States senator.

**Special Clauses:**

This joint resolution provides a special effective date.

**Legislative Rules Affected:**

ENACTS:

**JR1-4-401**

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*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. **JR1-4-401** is enacted to read:

**Part 4. Congressional Vacancies**

**JR1-4-401. Legislative recommendations to temporarily fill a vacancy in office of United States senator.**

(1) If a vacancy occurs in the office of United States senator, the Legislature shall, in accordance with this rule and Utah Code Subsection 20A-1-502(4), nominate three individuals, one of whom the governor will appoint to temporarily fill the vacancy.

(2) The Legislative Management Committee shall:

(a) adopt a resolution proposing three or more names to the Legislature to consider for nomination;

(b) determine which house of the Legislature will first consider the resolution; and

(c) assign a floor sponsor for the resolution in each house.

(3) The Legislature shall, by majority vote of each house, submit a final resolution,

33 containing the names of only three individuals, to the governor as the Legislature's nominees.

34 **Contingent effective date.**

35 This joint resolution takes effect on the day on which 2020 H.B. \_\_\_\_\_ passes and

36 becomes law.